

DIARY NOTES

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11 thru 16 February 1955

1. Gates Lloyd and I discussed with Dr. Tietjen certain criticisms which were voiced at a meeting of DD/P Administrative Officers. Specifically, they alleged that they were not getting proper notification when personnel were turned down for overseas duty, that there was a backlog of some 200 clerical employees who could not be entered on duty until certain forms were typed up and that they did not fully understand the Psychiatric Program. Dr. Tietjen has arranged to clear the backlog by Monday, 14 February. A check on the method of notification does not explain the unhappiness. This will have to be pursued further. I will also arrange to have Dr. Tietjen meet with this group at an early date to discuss medical services in general.

2. Met with Matt Baird, Harry Reynolds, and [REDACTED] to discuss the Fitness Report. The studies which Harry has made to date do not indicate widespread dissatisfaction and it was urged that we not make any change in the present Form until it could be studied further. This seemed desirable and I agreed. However, I did ask that a progress report be submitted to the Career Council and, in addition, asked that the Office of Personnel draft a Notice immediately correcting certain obvious mistakes in the Form. 25X1A9a

3. Jim Garrison, [REDACTED] and I met with Pete Strobel, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, and others concerning the reaction of Chairman Bartholomew and Director Nolen of the National Capital Planning Commission to the possibility of our building at Langley, Virginia. Pete still thought that this was the best idea and we agreed to make a joint presentation to the National Capital Planning Commission sometime early in March. Jim Garrison's people are working with the Public Buildings Service to get the presentation ready. 25X1A9a H

4. Arranged to have Tom Lane, Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia, for lunch here with the Director and others. Tom also seemed to feel that Langley should present no problem. In this connection, Mr. Dulles knows Jim Norton, who is also a member of the Planning Commission, and it would be desirable to have him talk to Norton about the matter at an early date. H

5. Met with [REDACTED] to discuss the paper on "Reimbursement Practices" and agreed that if they could satisfy the General Counsel on two minor points I would concur in it. 25X1A9a

25X1A9a 6. [REDACTED] of the Logistics Office and I briefed Senator Williams (R., Delaware) on certain activities involving the [REDACTED]. The Senator seemed to be reasonably well satisfied but wanted some additional information which we agreed to supply. (See Memorandum for the Record.) 25X1C4c H

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7. Have agreed with [REDACTED] and Larry Houston that Larry will look after Ted's CAT duties while the latter is on a trip to the Far East.

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8. [REDACTED] indicated that the Office of the Deputy Director (Plans) needed 7,000 square feet of additional space and stated that Mr. Wisner requested that we reopen the whole space problem with a view to getting the WH Division back into the I, J, K, and L Building complex. I told him that I would look into it. He informed me that the Logistics Office had all of the necessary justifications.

9. I have asked Jim Garrison to make a complete study of the justifications on file which supported the existence of the number of safehouses that we have and to advise me so that I can make a report to the Director.

10. Made an appointment to see Colonel Snook of the International Association of Chiefs of Police on Friday.

11. Told Harry Reynolds to be sure to maintain contact with the Foreign Operations Administration with a view to picking up any outstanding people they might drop when they go out of business in June.

12. Asked Harry to look into the status of proposed Regulation [REDACTED] (revision of Section 114 of the Confidential Funds Regulations). Told him I had understood that it had been in the Office of Personnel for some considerable length of time. 25X1A

13. Talked to Harry again about General [REDACTED] tuition problem. Emphasized that some reply must be made to General [REDACTED] right away and he agreed to draft it. 25X1A9a 25X1A9a

14. At the Deputies' Meeting on Monday the question was raised as to whether or not wives could accompany employees on temporary duty assignments. After some discussion the Director agreed that each case should be considered on its individual merits. He stated that if there were no security or other operational reasons why a wife could not accompany her husband on such a trip he saw no objection, provided, of course, that the trip was at the expense of the individual concerned and did not burden the Agency in any way.

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15. Discussed with General [REDACTED] the possibility of his transferring to the staff of the Deputy Director (Support) as a Special Assistant for Support Planning. (He later declined.)

16. I reviewed the report on the [REDACTED] case which Dr. Tietjen was forwarding to the Civil Service Commission at their request and approved of its transmission. It appeared to me that we could not respond to an official request in a less revealing way. 25X9A6

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MEETINGS AND/OR APPOINTMENTS FOR 16 FEBRUARY 1955

DIRECTOR

12:30 p.m. - OCS Meeting

SENIOR DIRECTOR

10:00 a.m. - Watch Committee Meeting